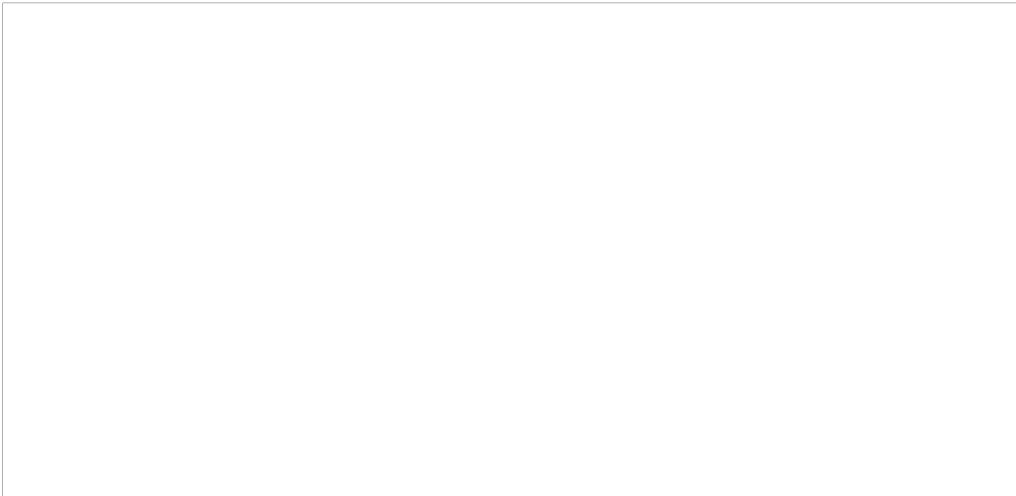


50X1-HUM



TITLE: USSR WEATHER BULLETIN
SOURCE: Russian newspapers, as indicated.

SECRET

SECRET

Sotzialisticheskoye Soedozhniye, No 209, 1 Dec 49

On 30 November, the weather became colder throughout the European USSR, especially in Belorussia and the Ukraine, where the temperature dropped 6-8 degrees during the 24-hour period. Frosts became considerably more severe in the Urals and West Siberia.

There was little change in temperature in the central chernozem zone, in the northern Caucasus, and in the lower Volga Region. At noon, the temperature was 3 above in Orel, 4 above in Voronezh, 2 above in Kursk, and 7 above in Saratov and Voroshilovgrad. Noon temperature on 30 November was 2-3 degrees below zero in the central and western regions (Velikiye Luki, Moscow, and Minsk), zero in Kiev, and one degree above zero in L'viv. The temperature dropped to 30 degrees below zero in the northern Urals (Overdlovsk) and to about 15 degrees below zero in the southern Urals. Snow fell in many western and central regions, restoring the snow cover.

Warm weather and rain reduced the snow cover in the eastern part of the central chernozem zone and in the lower Volga region.

Morning temperatures in West Siberia dropped to 28 degrees below zero in Barnaul, 32 below in Novosibirsk, and 40 below in Omsk. Snow cover in many areas of West Siberia has reached a depth of 20 centimeters.

SECRET

SECRET

Veserniyaya Moskva, No 284, 1 Dec 49

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 30 November and at noon on one December was 12 degrees below zero.

On 2 December in Moscow, the sky will be overcast and snow will fall intermittently. Night and day temperature will be 13-15 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 262, 1 Dec 49

On one December, cloudy weather with light snowfall is expected in the oblast. The east wind will be light to moderate. The temperature in the northeast regions will be 9-14 degrees below zero; in the southwest regions, 3-7 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 283, 2 Dec ⁴⁴ 44

On 2 December, cloudy weather is expected in Moscow Oblast. Light snow will fall and the north wind will be moderate. The temperature will be 9-14 degrees, ^{above zero} and in the southwest oblasts, 4-9 degrees.

SECRET

SECRET

Veserniyaya Moskva, No 285, 2 Dec 49

On the morning of 2 December, cloudy, cold weather with light snowfall was observed in northern European USSR. In the Baltic republics, and Belorussia, the temperature rose slightly.

The temperature on 2 December at 0900 was: 18 below in Kirov and Sverdlovsk; 14 below in Gor'kiy; 6 below in Kharkov, Voronezh, and Kursk; 5 below in Leningrad; 2 below in Kuybyshev, Saratov, and Stalingrad; one below in Smolensk and Astrakhan; zero in Poltava; one above in Rostov; 3 above in Kiev; 4 above in Odessa; 6 above in Riga; 7 above in Sochi.

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of one December was 14 degrees below, and at noon on 2 December, 9 degrees below zero.

On 3 December, there will be a rise in temperature in most of the central oblasts including Leningrad, Smolensk, Kalinin, Tula, and Orlov oblasts and the western part of Moscow Oblast. The rise in temperature in the central oblasts will only be of short duration. On 3 December, cloudy weather, light precipitation, fog, and a light to moderate wind is expected. Night temperature will be 3-5 degrees below; day temperature around zero.

SECRET

1

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, 2 December 49

On one December, considerably colder weather prevailed in the western oblasts and spread to the central and southeastern regions where, during the past 24 hours, temperatures fell 5-10 degrees. In Moscow, for example, temperature fell from 3 degrees below on 30 November to 12 degrees below; in Tambov from 5 degrees above to 3 degrees below and in Stalingrad from 9 degrees above zero to zero.

Colder weather also prevailed in the Crimea where, on 29 November, the temperature was 15 degrees above zero; on 30 November, 9 degrees above; and on one December only 4 degrees above zero. In the Baltic, Belorussia, Ukraine, and Northern Caucasus the temperature ^{was} ~~fluctuated~~ about zero.

In the northeast, the weather became noticeably warmer. For example, in Syktyvkar, Sverdlovsk and Kirov, where temperatures had dropped to 30 degrees below, the temperature has now risen to 15-20 degrees below. Only in Sverdlovsk, ⁱⁿ the temperature still ~~is~~ as low as 24 degrees below.

In western Siberia, heavy frosts prevail. In Omsk, it was 30 degrees below, in Barnaul 34 below, in Novosibirsk 37 degrees below zero. In the northern regions, temperatures were as low as 40 degrees below and even 48 below, as was also the case in northern Krasnoyarsk Kray.

SECRET

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Izvestiye, No 286, 4 Dec 49

On 3 December, the warmer weather earlier observed in the west spread to the northwestern and central areas. In Arkhangel'sk, the temperature was only 3 degrees below zero during the day. In Leningrad, Riga, and Minsk, the temperature was about 2 degrees above zero; in Moscow and Orel, about zero. In the eastern Ukraine and northern Caucasus, the weather became somewhat colder. Even during the day, temperature almost nowhere rose above zero (2 degrees below zero in Voroshilovgrad, zero in Rostov-on-Don). As on 3 December, moderate frosts continued in the Urals and in the Volga region. It was 14 below in Syktyvkar, 16 below in Kirov, 12 below in Sverdlovsk, 9 below in Ufa, and 6 degrees below zero in Saratov and Kuybyshev.

Rain fell in the western regions during the morning of 3 December. Under the influence of thawing weather and rain, the snow cover in the Baltic countries and in the western central regions was again reduced. Snow fell in the north and in the Volga region. Heavy snowfall and snowstorms were recorded in the Urals on 2 December. Snow cover in all eastern areas - Komi ASSR, Molotov Oblast, Bashkir ASSR, and others - is 20 centimeters deep. In the northern and eastern parts of the central zone, snow cover is about 10 centimeters deep.

The weather is warming slightly in western Siberia, although frosts are still severe. The temperature was 27 degrees below zero in Novosibirsk, 26 below zero in Barnaul. Snow fell in the areas of Siberia which adjoin the Urals. In eastern Siberia, temperature dropped as low as 25 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 285, 4 Dec 49

On 4 December, cloudy weather with intermittent precipitation is expected in Moscow Oblast. The south wind will be moderate to strong. The temperature will range from 3 degrees below zero to zero.

SECRET

12
SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 287, 5 Dec ⁴⁹

On the night of 4 December, minimum temperature in Moscow was one degree below zero; at noon on 5 December, 3 degrees above zero.

On 6 December, there will be cloudy weather, light precipitation, and a west wind, blowing moderate to strong. Night and day temperature will be zero to 2 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 286, 5 Dec 49

On 5 December, cloudy weather accompanied by intermittent snow is expected in Moscow Oblast. The south wind will be moderate to strong. The temperature will be one to 2 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

//A

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 287, 7 Dec ⁴⁷ 88

On 7 December, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently,
is expected in Moscow Oblast. Wet snow will fall in some areas.
The southwest wind will be moderate. The temperature will be
about zero.

SECRET

SECRET

44

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 233, 7 Dec 1944

On the morning of 7 December, most of European USSR continued to have cloudy weather accompanied by strong winds. Some places had precipitation in the form of rain and wet snow. In the Northern Caucasus and in the south central oblasts, there was some fog.

The temperature at 0900 on 7 December was: 12 below in Sverdlovsk; 10 below in Murmansk; 3 below in Kuybyshev; 2 below in Kazan and Saratov; one below in Riga; zero in Vologda, Kirov, Smolensk, and Leningrad; one above in Minsk, Stalingrad, Odessa, and Kiev; 2 above in Arkhangel'sk and Astrakhan; 4 above in Kursk; 5 above in Rostov and Voronezh; 7 above in Yalta and Kharkov; and 15 degrees above zero in Sochi.

The minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 6 December was zero; at noon on 7 December, one degree above zero.

On 7 December in the morning, the weather is expected to be cloudy with wet snow and fog. During the day, the weather will be cloudy and precipitation will end. The temperature will be around zero.

SECRET

SECRET

13

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, No 288, 7 Dec 49

On 5 and 6 December, warm weather accompanied by precipitation and strong winds prevailed in most of European USSR. On 6 December, the rise in temperature spread northward and eastward. Noon temperature in Arkhangul'sk was 2 degrees above zero, and in Veliky Ustyug and Kirov, one half a degree above zero. In Gor'kiy, Moscow, Voronezh, and Kursk, noon temperature was about one degree above zero. In the Baltic region, the temperature rose to 3 degrees above zero. In western Ukraine, the weather became somewhat colder. Noon temperature was zero in L'vov, 3 above in Kiev, 4 above in Dnepropetrovsk, 6 above in Odessa. Warm weather is expected to continue in eastern Ukraine.

On 5 December, precipitation fell over all European USSR except the eastern oblasts. There were severe snowstorms in the area north of the central zone. On 6 December, snow fell in many northern and central regions. Rain fell in the west (Vil'nyus, Rovno, Vinnitsa). The snow cover in the western areas of the central oblasts melted. On 6 December, the southern limit of the snow cover was the line Kalinin—Vladimir—Tula—Saratov.

During the past few days, the weather has grown warmer in the western oblasts of Siberia: for example, in Tyumen and Omsk oblasts. Snow fell in many ^{areas} ~~regions~~. On 6 December, noon temperature in Omsk was 12 degrees below instead of 27 below as on 4 December; in Tobol'sk 17 below instead of 28 below as on 1 December. Dry weather with severe frost continued in eastern Siberia. On 6 December,

SECRET

SECRET

14

day temperature in Krasnoyarsk dropped to 29 below, in Irkutsk to 21 below, and in Chita to 18 degrees below zero. Night temperatures in many regions dropped as low as 30 degrees below zero.

SECRET

- 2 -

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 289, 8 Dec 49

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 7 December and at noon on 8 December was zero.

On 9 December, predominantly cloudy weather with light precipitation in the form of snow changing to drizzle is expected. Night temperature will be 2 degrees below zero to zero; day temperature, zero to 2 above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 288, 8 Dec 49

On 8 December, cloudy weather with precipitation is expected in Moscow Oblast. The west wind will be moderate. The temperature will be about zero.

SECRET

SECRET

11

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 269, 9 Dec 49

On 9 December, cloudy weather accompanied by precipitation in the form of wet snow, drizzle and sleet is expected in Moscow Oblast. The southwest wind will be moderate. The temperature will be one to 5 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

16

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 290, 9 Dec 49

On the morning of 9 December, warm, cloudy weather prevailed over most of European USSR. In the northwest and central areas, there was fog and a light drizzle. Light snow fell in the northern regions of European USSR.

The temperature at 0900 was: 12 below in Kuybyshev, 6 below in Kazan, 5 below in Saratov, 2 below in Murmansk, Stalingrad, and Rostov, one below in Arkhangel'sk and Gor'kiy, one above in Orel, 2 above in Kiev and L'vov, 3 above in Minsk and Smolensk, 5 above in Odessa, 6 above in Leningrad, 8 above in Riga and Kaliningrad.

The minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 8 December was 2 degrees above zero; at noon on 9 December, 2 degrees above zero.

On 10 December, cloudy weather, without precipitation and with fog in places, is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be about zero; day temperature zero to 2 degrees above.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 290, 10 Dec 49

On 10 December, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and accompanied by morning fog and light precipitation in places, is expected in ^{Moscow} the gblast. The southwest wind will be moderate to strong. The temperature will be about zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 291, 10 Dec 49

Minimum temperature at night in Moscow was zero; at noon on 10 December, one degree above zero.

On 11 December, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and without precipitation, is expected in Moscow. Night and day temperature will be 2-4 degrees below zero.

During the next two days, the temperature in Moscow, Vladimir, Ivanovo, Yaroslavl, and Kostroma oblasts will drop to 7-10 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

21

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, No 291, 10 Dec 49

On 9 December, the milder weather observed in the extreme west on 8 December continued and spread to almost the entire European USSR. Frosts became more severe only in the Urals and adjacent areas. Noon temperature in the northwest rose to one degree above zero; in the Baltic area, western Belorussia, and western Ukraine (Leningrad, Riga, L'vov) to 6-8 degrees above zero. In the central zone, day temperature was about one to 2 degrees above zero. In the Urals, the temperature dropped to 12-19 degrees below during the day and to 20-25 degrees below zero at night.

It became considerably colder in the northern Caucasus. At noon, the temperature was zero in Mal'chik, 4 degrees above zero in Nakhachkala, and 2 degrees above zero in Yerevan.

On 8 December, precipitation fell in the form of rain and wet snow in almost all western and central regions. Light precipitation also fell in the lower Volga region. There were heavy snowfalls in the northern Caucasus. More than 15 millimeters fell in places.

On 9 December, rain fell in the Baltic countries and in some regions of the central zone. As on 8 December, snow fell in the northern Caucasus. Due to thawing and rain, the snow cover in the central zone and in the northwestern region is no longer continuous. It has receded considerably and even disappeared completely in places.

In western Siberia, dry cold weather prevailed. Day temperature was 24 degrees below zero in Tobol'sk, 25 degrees below zero in Novosibirsk and Barnaul.

The weather has become considerably colder in central Asia.

SECRET

SECRET

Snow fell at places during the day (Stalinabad). Day temperature in Tashkent fell to one degree above zero as compared with 6 degrees above on 6 December, and in Stalinabad, to 4 degrees above zero as compared with 14 degrees above on 6 December.

SECRET

23
SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 291, 11 Dec ⁴⁰~~39~~

On 11 December, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and without precipitation, is expected in Moscow Oblast. The southeast wind will be moderate to strong. The temperature will be 2-6 degrees below zero.

SECRET

29

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 292, 12 Dec ⁷⁹ 88

Minimum temperature on the night of 11 December in Moscow was 9 degrees below zero; at noon on 12 December, 4 degrees below zero.

On 13 December, predominantly cloudy weather without precipitation is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be 4-6 degrees below; day temperature 2-4 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 292, 13 Dec ⁴¹

On 13 December, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and accompanied by light precipitation in places, is expected in Moscow Oblast. The south wind will be moderate. The temperature will be zero to 4 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

26

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 293, 13 Dec 49

On the morning of 13 December, predominantly warm, cloudy weather with light precipitation and fog prevailed in the Baltic area, Belorussia, and in the Ukraine. Light snow fell in the central oblasts of European USSR. Slightly cloudy weather with frosts continued in the eastern regions of European USSR and in the Volga region.

The temperature at 0900 was: 21 below in Kuybyshev, 17 below in Kason, 15 below in Stalingrad, 14 below in Molotov, 13 below in Murmansk, 12 below in Astrakhan, 9 below in Syktyvkar, 8 below in Gor'kiy, 5 below in Rostov, 4 below in Arkhangel'sk, 2 below in Kaliningrad, one below in Kiev, zero in Minak, one above in Leningrad, 2 above in Riga, 6 above in Odessa.

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 12 December was 3 degrees below; on 13 December at noon, it was 2 below zero.

On 14 December, cloudy weather with light snow is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be one to 3 degrees below zero; day temperature, zero to one degree below zero.

SECRET

27

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 293, 13 Dec 49

On the morning of 13 December, weather in the Baltic area, Belorussia and the Ukraine was predominantly warm and cloudy with intermittent light precipitation and fog. Light snow fell in the central oblasts of European USSR, slightly cloudy weather with frosts continued in the eastern regions of European USSR and in the Volga region.

The temperature at 0900 was: 21 above in Kuybyshev, 17 above in Kazan, 15 above in Stalingrad, 14 above in Molotov, 13 above in Murmansk, 12 above in Astrakhan, 9 below in Syktyvkar, 8 below in Gor'kiy, 5 above in Rostov ^{and} 4 above in Arkhangel'sk,

2

SECRET

25

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, No 294, 14 December 49

During the morning of 13 December, 2-4 millimeters of rain fell in Moldavia and in the western part of the Ukraine. Sleet fell locally. Rain also fell in the Baltic republics. Day temperature in Riga was 2 degrees above zero. Snow fell in Belorussia and in Kursk, Orel, Bryansk, and Tula oblasts. During the day, the temperature was zero in Minsk, 6 degrees below zero in Kursk.

Slightly cold and cloudy weather accompanied by snow prevailed in Karelo-Finnish SSR, and Arkhangel'sk, Vologda, Yaroslavl, and Kostroma oblasts. Day temperatures there ranged from 2 to 6 degrees below zero. Severe frosts gripped the Central Volga region, Bashkir ASSR, and Chkalov Oblast. Day temperature did not rise above 16-24 degrees below zero. There were moderate frosts along the lower Volga and in the northern Caucasus. Temperatures there held to a level of about 5-10 degrees below zero.

In West Siberia, the severe frosts which prevailed during the first ten days of December continue to moderate. Light snow fell generally from Novosibirsk to the Baykal region on 13 December. The temperature prevailing during the day was about 15 degrees below zero at Omsk, up to 10 degrees below at Irkutsk.

In Central Asia, day temperature was about 5 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 294, 14 Dec 49

The temperature on 14 December at 0900 was: 12 below in Molotov, 3 below in Minsk and Astrakhan, 2 below in Arkhangel'sk and L'vov, zero in Kaliningrad and Kiev, one above in Leningrad and Riga, 3 above in Odessa, and 8 degrees above zero in Yalta.

Minimum temperature in Moscow on 14 December at noon and on the night of 13 December was 5 degrees below zero.

On 15 December, cloudy weather accompanied by snow flurries and snowstorms is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be 5-7 degrees below zero; day temperature 2-4 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 294, 15 Dec 49

On 15 December, cloudy weather with snow flurries is expected in Moscow Oblast. The southeast wind will be moderate. The temperature will be 2-5 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vecherniyaya Moskva, No 295, 15 Dec 49

The temperature at 0900 was: 18 below in Kuybyshev; 13 below in Kasan; 12 below in Omsk; 10 below in M^ol^ogov; 9 below in Sverdlovsk; 7 below in Kirov; 6 below in Tashkent; 4 below in Kiev; 3 below in Minsk; one below in Riga, Arkhangel'sk; Murmansk, and Rostov; zero in Leningrad and Odessa; one above in Ashkhabad; 2 above in Yalta; 6 above in Sochi.

Minimum temperature at night in Moscow was 6 degrees below zero; at noon on 15 December, 3 degrees below zero.

On 16 December, predominantly cloudy weather without precipitation is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be 4-6 degrees below zero; day temperature 2-4 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 295, 16 Dec 49

On 16 December, cloudy weather, accompanied by light snow in places and morning fog, is expected in Moscow Oblast. The south wind will be light to moderate. The temperature will be one to 5 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'daniye, 16 Dec 49

On 14 and 15 December, eastern European USSR was cold while in the western areas of European USSR, the weather was warm and cloudy.

In Arkhangel'sk, Leningrad, Odessa, Simferopol' and Mal'chik, the temperature at noon was about zero or a fraction above. In the area of the western Dnepr, the Baltic and in the southern Ukraine temperatures did not exceed one or two degrees below zero. In the region of Moscow - Vologda, temperature fluctuated ^{around} ~~about~~ three degrees below zero. In the central oblasts and in the central chernozem zone, temperatures reached 5-7 degrees. In the central and lower Volga regions, along the eastern bank of the Volga River, and in the Urals, temperature ranged from 10-12 degrees below zero. In the region of Chkalov, the noon temperature dropped as low as 20 degrees below zero. Temperatures were above zero, even reaching 2 and 3 degrees above, in Moldavia (Kishinev) and in the Northern Caucasus (Krasnodar) as well as along the Caspian Sea.

During the last two days a snow cover formed in Poltava, Kharkov, Kiev, Chernigov, ~~oblasts, and the~~ ^{and} ~~oblasts of the~~ ^{oblasts of the} Ukraine, as well as in Kursk, Bryansk, ~~oblasts~~ ^{oblasts}, Tula, and Smolensk oblasts. In several places snow continued to fall. During the morning of 15 December, snow also fell in the northeast.

Frosts became less severe in Siberia. At noon, temperatures ranged from 10 to 12 degrees below zero. Snow fell in many regions of western Siberia.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 296, 16 Dec 49

On 16 December, most of European USSR had cloudy weather. In the Baltic area and Belorussia, there was precipitation in the form of rain and wet snow. In the eastern part of the central oblasts and in the eastern regions of European USSR, light snow fell. In the Ukraine, in the Crimea, and in the northern Caucasus, fog was observed in places and there were light, freezing rains.

The temperature at 0900 on 16 December was: 16 below in Sverdlovsk, 15 below in Kazan and Kuybyshev, 12 below in Saratov, 10 below in Gor'kiy, 8 below in Stalingrad, 5 below in Vologda, 3 below in Voronezh and Rostov, 2 below in Arkhangel'sk and Minsk, one below in Leningrad and Orel, zero in Kiev, one above in Riga and Kaliningrad, 5 above in Sochi, 7 above in Odessa.

Minimum temperature in Moscow on 16 December was 4 degrees below zero at noon and 9 degrees below zero on the night of 15 December.

On 17 December, cloudy weather accompanied by light snow and drizzle is expected. Night temperature will be 3-5 degrees; day temperature one to 3 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 296, 17 Dec 49

On 17 December, cloudy weather accompanied by light precipitation in places is expected in Moscow Oblast. The south wind will be moderate. The temperature will be zero to 3 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

No 297,)

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, 17 Dec 49

On 16 December, warm weather continued in the Crimea, Moldavia, and in the extreme southwestern Ukraine. At noon, the temperature was 6 degrees above zero in Simferopol', and about 8 degrees above in Odessa and Kishinev. In the rest of European USSR, the weather continued relatively warm and cloudy. Noon temperature in the Ukraine, Belorussia and the northwest ranged from zero to 2 degrees above. In the morning of 16 December, rain fell in western Ukraine and in the maritime regions of the Baltic, while in Belorussia and the northwestern and western oblasts, wet snow fell.

In the central and northern oblasts, temperature during the day ranged from 3 - 5 degrees below zero. In many central regions, snow fell. Cold weather continued along the right bank of the Volga and in the Urals where the temperature did not exceed 11-12 degrees below zero.

Weather in the Transcaucasus was the same as in the Crimea. Temperatures reached 5-7 degrees above zero.

In Central Asia, the weather became colder. At noon, temperatures in the regions of Tashkent, Stalinabad and Ashkhabad were about one to 2 degrees below zero. Snow fell near Tashkent and Stalinabad.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 297, 17 Dec 49

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 16 December was 2 degrees below zero; at noon on 17 December, one degree below zero.

On 18 December, cloudy weather accompanied by light precipitation is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be 2-4 degrees below; day temperature zero to 2 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

36

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, No 298, 18 Dec 49

On 17 December, the weather throughout European USSR was similar to that prevailing on 16 December. It was warm and cloudy in the west, while moderately severe frosts, generally without snow, occurred in the east.

The highest noon temperatures, about 10 degrees above zero, were noted as on 16 December in Moldavia, the Crimea, and in the extreme southwestern part of the Ukraine. It was about 5 degrees above zero along the Kuban' River. In Belorussia and in the northwest, the thermometer showed readings of from about zero to 2 degrees above zero. In the central and northern regions, the temperature gradually dropped from west to east - from 1 to 5 degrees below zero.

Along the Volga and in the southern Urals, it was considerably colder than in the rest of European USSR. At noon, it was about 12-14 degrees below zero in Kazan', Kuybyshev, Saratov, and Stalin-grad and 20 degrees below zero in Ufa and Chkalov.

Rain fell in Moldavia and in the western Ukraine; snow in Belorussia and in the northern regions. Some precipitation also fell at a number of places in the Volga region (Saratov).

In the Transcaucasus, it was cold. Even during the day, the temperature stood at zero or dropped below zero. Snow fell in the Yerevan area. Also in Central Asia, the weather was cool with temperatures at zero or below zero during the day.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 297, 18 Dec 49

On 18 December, cloudy weather is expected in Moscow Oblast. There will be light precipitation, brief snowstorms, and light frost. The south wind will be strong. The temperature will range from 2 degrees below zero to zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernnyaya Moskva, No 298, 19 Dec 49

Minimum temperature on the night of 18 December in Moscow was 6 degrees below zero; at noon on 19 December, 5 degrees below zero.

On 20 December, predominantly cloudy weather with light snow is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be 6-8 degrees below zero; day temperature 3-5 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 298, 20 Dec 49

On 20 December, cloudy weather with light snow in places is expected in Moscow Oblast. The southeast to south wind will be moderate. The temperature will be 4-8 degrees below zero.

SECRET

42

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, ^{no 299,} 20 Dec 49

On 19 December, very warm weather prevailed in the Crimea where the mercury reached up to 14 degrees above zero. During the night of 18 December, temperature here was about 4-5 degrees above zero. In the Odessa region, the temperature was 7 degrees above zero at noon, in the vicinity of Krasnodar 6 degrees above. Temperatures of from 3-5 degrees above zero prevailed all through the southern Ukraine, in Moldavia, in the Rostov-on-Don region, and also along the Baltic seacoast. During the night, temperatures in these regions also stayed above zero.

In Belorussia and adjoining western oblasts, in the northwest and in the Karelo-Finnish SSR, on 19 December, day temperatures rose to one to 2 degrees above and dropped to one to 2 degrees below zero during the night.

In the whole of the central chernozem zone, in the central oblasts and in the north noon temperature was about 3-6 degrees below. Along the right bank of the Volga and in the central regions of the Urals, temperature was 15-16 degrees below zero at noon, and in the southern Urals it was 20 degrees below. In the past days snow cover was formed along the right bank of the Volga to Kamyshin, on the left bank of the Volga to Chkalov, in all the central oblasts of the Ukraine and from Dnepropetrovsk to Chernigov. On the morning of 19 December, snow fell in the Tula - Smolensk - Moscow - Kalinin region and at places on the right bank of the Volga. Rain fell at several places in the

SECRET

43

SECRET

Ukraine.

In the Transcaucasus, it became colder than in the Crimea. Temperatures in the Tbilisi region did not exceed 6 degrees above, and around Yerevan 5 degrees below zero. Snow cover formed here during the past few days. In Central Asia weather similar to that of the Transcaucasus prevailed. During the day, temperatures rose to 6-7 degrees above zero and at night fell to about 5-8 degrees below zero.

SECRET

- 2 -

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 299, 20 Dec 49

On 20 December, most of European USSR continued to have cloudy weather. Snow fell in some of the central regions. There was fog in Belorussia and in the northern part of the Ukraine. Slightly cloudy, cold weather continued in the Middle and Lower Volga and in the eastern regions of European USSR.

The temperature on 20 December at 0900 was: 21 below in Molotov, 17 below in Kazan, 15 below in Saratov, 10 below in Stalingrad and Syktyvkar, 4 below in Arkhangel'sk, 3 below in Astrakhan and Kharkov, one below in Minsk and Rostov, zero in Kiev, one above in Leningrad, 4 above in Riga and Odessa, 7 above in Yalta, 10 above in Sochi.

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 19 December and at noon on 20 December was 4 degrees below zero.

On 21 December in Moscow, cloudy weather and light snow is expected. Night temperature will be 3-5 degrees below; day temperature one to 3 degrees below zero.

SECRET

45

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, No 300, 21 Dec 49

On 20 December as on 19 December, the weather was very warm along the Baltic Sea coast, in the west, and in the southwestern Ukraine as well as in Moldavia, the Crimea, and in Krasnodar Kray. Noon temperatures rose to 5-6 degrees above zero. During the night of 19 December, the temperature held at 2 degrees above zero.

In all areas between Arkhangel'sk in the north and Smolensk and Voroshilovgrad in the south, temperatures ranged from 3-5 degrees below zero during the day.

There is a snow cover throughout the northern parts of Chkalov, Saratov, Moscow, Kaluga, Bryansk, Orel, Kursk, Chernigov, Gomel', Smolensk, Rytava, and Kharkov oblasts. Snow also lies along a narrow belt along the left bank of the Volga from Saratov to Astrakhan.

In Central Asia, day temperature dropped ^{to between} ~~from~~ zero ^{and} to 2 degrees above zero in Ashkhabad; to 6-8 degrees above zero in Stalinabad and Tashkent. Approximately the same temperatures were recorded in the Transcaucasus, except in southern Armenia where noon temperature was about 2 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 300, 21 Dec 49

On 21 December, the weather in northeastern European USSR was cloudy accompanied by snow flurries and, in places, snowstorms. Light precipitation in the form of rain and snow fell in Karelo-Finnish SSR, in western Arkhangel'sk Oblast, and in the northwest oblasts of European USSR. Cloudy weather with fog and freezing rain occurred in Belorussia, in the Ukraine, and in the central oblasts of European USSR. Weather along the Volga, in the eastern oblasts of European USSR, and in the Urals continued slightly cloudy.

The temperature at 0900 was: 37 below in Novosibirsk; 29 below in Omsk; 19 below in Kuybyshev; 14 below in Kazan; 13 below in Sverdlovsk and Saratov; 7 below in Syktyvkar and Tashkent; 3 below in Yerevan; 2 below in Rostov, Kiev, and Kursk; zero in Arkhangel'sk; one above in Odessa; 2 above in Minsk; 3 above in Leningrad; 4 above in Riga; 8 above in Yalta and Sochi.

Minimum temperature in Moscow at night was 3 degrees below zero and at noon on 21 December, one degree above zero.

On 22 December, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and without precipitation, is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will range from one degree below zero to zero; day temperature from zero to one degree above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 301, 22 Dec 49

Minimum temperature on the night of 21 December was 4 degrees below zero, and at noon on 22 December, zero.

On 23 December, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and accompanied by light snowfall changing into rain, and morning fog, is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will range from zero to 2 degrees below zero; day temperature zero to one degree above zero.

SECRET

44

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 301, 23 Dec 49

On 23 December, cloudy weather with light precipitation and fog is expected in Moscow Oblast. The southwest wind will be light to moderate. The temperature will be zero to 2 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

49

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 302, 23 Dec 49

On the morning of 23 December, the weather in most of European USSR was warm and cloudy. Snow fell in Komi ASSR. Wet snow fell in most of the central oblasts of European USSR and in places there was frost and fog. There was drizzle in the Ukraine.

The temperature on 23 December at 0900 was: 10 below in Astrakhan and Chkalov; 9 below in Murmansk; 8 below in Stalingrad; 6 below in Kuybyshev; 4 below in Saratov; 3 below in Arkhangel'sk, Kostov, Syktyvkar, Kazan, and Molotov; 2 below in Minsk; one below in Gor'kiy, Kharkov, and Kiev; zero in Smolensk and Odessa; one above in Vologda and Kaliningrad; and 3 above in Riga.

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 22 December was zero; noon temperature on 23 December was one degree above zero.

On 24 December, the weather in Moscow is expected to be cloudy, clearing intermittently and accompanied by light snow. Night and day temperature will range from zero to 2 degrees below zero, with a drop in the evening to 3-5 degrees below zero.

On the Moscow Sea, the thickness of the ice is 15-20 centimeters.

SECRET

SECRET

no 203,
Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, 24 Dec 49

On 23 December, cloudy weather prevailed in the whole of north European USSR. During the morning of 23 December, some rain fell in Leningrad, Pskov and Novgorod oblasts, in southern Belorussia, and in the Crimea. In the Ukraine and Kursk and Voronezh oblasts there was fog and freezing rain accompanied by frosts in some places. During the day, the temperature in the south (Dnepropetrovsk - Odessa) ranged from zero to one degree above.

Snow fell in Arkhangel'sk, Vologda, Kirov, Molotov and several central oblasts and in the Tatar and Bashkir ASSR. During the day, temperatures in the northwestern and central oblasts was about zero. In Vologda, Velikiye Luki and Moscow, temperature was one degree above, in Leningrad and Riga 2 degrees above zero.

In the central and lower Volga regions the frost was less severe than during the last few days. Temperature was 4 degrees below in Kuybyshev and Saratov on 23 December, 8 degrees below in Stalingrad, and 10 degrees below in Chkalov. In the northern Caucasus, ~~and~~ ^{day} temperature reached 3-5 degrees above. In Stavropol Kray rain and wet snow fell.

In western Siberia heavy frosts gave way to more moderate temperatures. During the morning of 23 December, some snow fell. Temperatures during the day were about 20 degrees below zero.

In central Asia temperatures ranged from 3-5 degrees above zero during the day.

SECRET

51

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 302, 24 Dec 49

On 24 December, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and accompanied by light snow in places, is expected in Moscow Oblast. The west wind will be moderate. The temperature will be zero to 3 degrees below zero followed by a drop in temperature to 3-7 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 303, 24 Dec 49

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 23 December was 4 degrees below zero; at noon on 24 December, one degree below zero.

On 25 December, the weather in Moscow is expected to be cloudy, clearing intermittently and accompanied by light snow. Night temperature will be 3-5 degrees below zero; day temperature 2-4 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 307, 30 Dec 49

On 30 December, predominantly slightly cloudy weather without precipitation is expected in ^{Moscow} ~~the~~ oblast. The wind will be moderate and from the north. The temperature is 22-27 degrees below zero.

SECRET

54
SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, No 308, 30 Dec 49

On 29 December, the weather was very cold from the far northern and northeastern parts of the European USSR to the central and northwestern regions. Day temperatures dropped to 23-27 degrees below zero in Petrosavodsk, Vologda, Moscow, and Sverdlovsk. Severe frosts occurred in Leningrad, Velikiye Luki, and Ural oblasts and in the eastern parts of Belorussia.

Moderately cold weather continues in Saratov and Stalingrad oblasts and in Latvia; warm weather in the south. In Odessa and Krasnodar, the temperature was 2 degrees above, in Kishinev, 3 degrees above, and in Simferopol' 4 degrees above zero.

Snow fell over the greater part of the area during the morning of 29 December. The fall was heavy in some places -- 3-5 millimeters in the Ukraine, Tambov Oblast, and other points. No snow fell in the northern regions. The snow cover line moved far to the south and now runs approximately from Riga to Poltava to Rostov-on-Don.

In western Siberia, the weather was moderately cold with snow. Day temperature in Barnaul, Novosibirsk, and Omsk was 14-18 degrees below zero. It was considerably colder in Krasnoyarsk Kray, Irkutsk Oblast, and in the Transbaykal region, where the day temperatures were 22-30 degrees below zero.

In Central Asia, it was warm during the day.

SECRET

SECRET

Veserniyaya Moskva, No 308, 30 Dec 49

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 29 December was 27 degrees below zero, on 30 December at 0900, 25 degrees below zero, and at noon, 24 degrees below zero. Cloudy weather, clearing intermittently, and a light snowfall is expected on 31 December. Night temperature will be 22-24 degrees below zero; day temperature 19-21 degrees below zero. The temperature is not expected to drop in the evening.

Almost the entire USSR is experiencing cold weather. The lowest temperature recorded on the morning of 30 December was 52 degrees below zero -- not far from Yakutsk. There were severe frosts in northern European USSR. In Naryn-Mard, morning temperature was 37 below. The highest temperature was on the Black Sea shoreline of the Caucasus. In Sochi, it was 4 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 308, 31 Dec 49

On 31 December, cloudy weather accompanied by light snow in places is expected in Moscow Oblast. The north wind is light to moderate. The temperature is 17-22 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernnyaya Moskv, No 309, 31 Dec 49

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 30 December was 21 degrees below zero; at noon on 31 December, 17 degrees below zero.

On 1 January, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently, is expected. There will be a light wind. Night temperature will be 17-19 degrees below; day temperature 16-18 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 1, 1 Jan 50

On one January, the weather in Moscow Oblast will be cloudy,
clearing intermittently and accompanied by snow in places.

The wind will be moderate. The temperature will be 13-17 degrees
below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 1, 2 Jan 50

Severe frosts continued on 2 January in most of European USSR. In the northwest and eastern oblasts of European USSR and in some places in the Ukraine and the Caucasus, snow fell.

On 2 January, the temperature at 0900 was: 27 below in Kuybyshev; 24 below in Arkhangel'sk, Nar'yan-Mare, Syktyvkar, and Gor'kiy; 23 below in Molotov; 22 below in Murmansk, Vologda, and Rostov; 19 below in Smolensk and Saratov; 16 below in Astrakhan; 14 below in Kiev, 12 below in Leningrad, 9 below in L'vov, 8 below in Minsk and Odessa, 5 below in Kaliningrad, and 3 degrees below zero in Riga.

The minimum temperature in Moscow on the evening of one January was 22 below, and at noon on 2 January, it was 17 degrees below zero.

On 3 January, the weather in Moscow is expected to be predominantly cloudy with some snow. Night and day temperature will be 18-20 degrees below zero.

SECRET

64
SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 2, 3 Jan 50

On 3 January, cloudy weather with light snow and a moderate southeast wind is expected in Moscow Oblast. The temperature will be 12-16 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vecherniyaya Moskva, No 2, 3 Jan 50

On the morning of 3 January, there were clouds accompanied by snow in the Baltic region, Belorussia, the Ukraine, Kursk, Voronezh, and Rostov oblasts. In the remaining regions of European USSR, the weather was predominantly slightly cloudy without precipitation. Light snow fell only in the eastern regions of European USSR and in some regions of the Urals.

The temperature at 0900 was: 33 below in Gor'kiy, 32 below in Kuybyshev, 29 below in Sverdlovsk, 28 below in Molotov, 26 below in Kirov, 23 below in Stalingrad, 21 below in Murmansk and Leningrad, 13 below in Kursk and Novosibirsk, 12 below in Yerevan, 9 below in Rostov, 8 below in Kharkov, 7 below in Minsk, 6 below in Riga, 3 below in Odessa, and 2 below in Kiev; in Sochi, Yalta, and Ashkhabad it was one degree above zero.

The minimum night temperature in Moscow was 24 degrees below zero, and at noon, 23 degrees below zero.

On 4 January, the weather in Moscow is expected to be predominantly slightly cloudy without precipitation, with a frosty haze, and with a light, northeast wind. Night temperature will be 26-28 below (26-31 below in Moscow Oblast); day temperature 23-25 degrees below zero.

SECRET

63
SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 19, 22 Jan 50

On 22 January, cloudy weather, subsequently clearing, is expected in Moscow Oblast. Light snow will fall in places. The east wind will be light to moderate. The temperature will be 12-16 degrees below zero.

SECRET

64

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, No 18, 21 Jan 50

On 20 January, the most severe frosts occurred south of the Urals. Day temperature in Ufa was 27 below; in Chkalov, 32 below. In the Volga region, the Central-Chernozem zone, the Ukraine and the Northern Caucasus, the weather was very cold but warmer than in the Urals: 24 below in Kuybyshev, 23 below in Stalingrad, 20 below in Kursk and Kiev, 22 below in Voronezh and Dnepropetrovsk, and 21 below in Rostov.

In Moldavia and on the Kuban, the temperature dropped to 15 degrees below zero. The temperature was approximately the same in Belorussia and in the central oblasts (Minsk and Moscow), where in comparison with 19 January, the temperature rose considerably.

The highest temperatures were recorded in the northwest. In Riga, Leningrad, and Petrozavodsk, day temperature was 2 degrees below zero. In these regions, the temperature rose 20 degrees in 48 hours (in Riga, 20 degrees in 24 hours). It was comparatively warm in Arkhangel'sk -- 9 below zero.

Temperature distribution seemed to be unusual everywhere. In the extreme north, the temperature was considerably warmer than in Moldavia, Crimea, and in the Northern Caucasus. For example, in Petrozavodsk the temperature was 12 degrees warmer than in Odessa and Kishinev and 20 degrees warmer than in Dnepropetrovsk.

The temperature will continue to rise in the northwest. This temperature ^{rise} will spread south and east. In the next few days, the temperature in the central zone will rise to 5-7 degrees below

SECRET

65

SECRET

zero instead of 15 below.

It is snowing in the central zone and in some of the Baltic regions. During the past 24 hours, snow fell only in the Urals, and even there only lightly.

No weather changes will occur in Western Siberia. Temperature will hover ^{around} about 20 degrees below zero and only in places will drop to 30 degrees below (Barnaul). There will be no precipitation. The ground is now covered with snow.

SECRET

65
SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 18, 21 Jan 50

On the night of 20 January, minimum temperature in Moscow was 16 below; at noon on 21 January, 13 degrees below zero.

On 22 January, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently, without precipitation and with a light wind, is expected. Night temperature will be 18-20 degrees below; day temperature 14-16 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 31, 5 Feb 50

On 5 February, cloudy weather accompanied by light snow
Moderate blizz.
in places is expected ~~in the republic~~. The southwest wind will
be moderate. The temperature will be 9-13 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, ^{no 311} 5 Feb 50

On 4 February, generally clear weather with heavy frosts without precipitation prevailed in most of European USSR. Temperatures along the Urals, in the central oblasts, and along the central and lower Volga ranged from 22 to 27 degrees below zero. In the most of the Ukraine, in the Crimea, Northern Caucasus and in Belorussia, temperatures were about 16-18 degrees below.

Considerably warmer weather prevailed in the Baltic republics. In the Karelo-Finnish SSR and in Arkhangel'sk Oblast, the temperature during the day was about 7-9 degrees below zero. During the past 24 hours, warmer weather also spread to the central oblasts.

Cold weather continued to prevail in the Transcaucasus and in the central Asiatic republics. During the day, temperature in Tbilisi and Yerevan was 7 degrees below, in Stalinabad and Ashkhabad 6-9 degrees below zero. Snow fell in some places.

In western Siberia weather became even colder. During the day, temperature in Omsk fell to 31 degrees below, in Barnaul and Novosibirsk to 21-23 degrees below zero. In Krasnoyarsk Kray and in Irkutsk Oblast, the weather became somewhat warmer (14-18 degrees below zero).

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 31, 6 Feb 50

On 6 February, the minimum temperature in Moscow was 14 degrees below zero, and at noon, 8 degrees below zero.

On 7 February, the weather in Moscow is expected to be cloudy without precipitation. Night temperature will be 8-10 degrees below; day temperature 5-7 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 32, 7 February 50

On 7 February, predominantly cloudy weather accompanied by light snow in places is expected in Moscow Oblast. The southwest wind will be moderate to strong. The temperature will be 5-10 degrees below zero.

SECRET

7'
SECRET

.Vechernyaya Moskva, No 32, 7 Feb 50

On the night of 6 February, minimum temperature in Moscow was 10 below, and at noon, 7 degrees below zero.

On 8 February, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and without precipitation, is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be 7-9 degrees below; day temperature will be 5-7 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 37, 12 Feb 50

On 12 February, the weather will be predominantly cloudy with intermittent snow. The south wind will be moderate, at times strong. The temperature will range from 2 degrees below zero to 2 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, 12 February 1950

On 11 February, weather in European USSR was warm and cloudy. The coldest weather was observed in the northeast and in the east in the regions of Chkalov, Ufa, and Sverdlovsk. However, even here the temperature rose to 3-5 degrees below zero. In the vicinity of Kirov, Kuzan' and Gor'kiy, the temperature was 2-3 degrees below zero at noon. The weather was somewhat warmer, ranging from zero to one degree below, along the central and lower Volga and also in the regions of Moscow, Vologda, and in the west (M'vov, Kiev, Minsk, Riga).

In the central chernozem zone (Kursk, Voronezh, Tambov, Orel) the temperature rose to 1-2 degrees above during the day. In the eastern half of the Ukraine, in the Crimea, and Moldavia the temperature was about zero, even at night, and in some places was even higher. During the day, the temperature in Voroshilovgrad, Dnepropetrovsk and Simferopol' was 3 degrees above and in Kishinev 5 degrees above. Along the Kuban', temperatures of 6-10 degrees above zero were registered. Due to the warm weather, rain fell in several places in the south. In the central oblasts and in the north, wet snow fell.

Considerable temperature rises were recorded in the Transcaucasus. In Tbilisi the temperature was 7 degrees above during the day.

The weather also became considerably warmer in western Siberia. At noon, it was 10 degrees below zero in Tobol'sk and Omsk and 13-14 degrees below in Novosibirsk and Barnaul.

In Central Asia, cold weather prevailed. During the day, temperatures ranged from 4-6 degrees below. At night, frosts with temperatures of 14-18 degrees set in.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 37, 13 Feb 50

On the morning of 13 February, most of the territory of European USSR continued to have warm, foggy weather accompanied by snow in places. Rain fell in the Ukraine and the northern Caucasus.

On 13 February, the temperature at 0900 was: 10 below in Arkhangel'sk; 3 above in Vologda and Astrakhan; one below in Riga and Kasan; zero in Kirov and Saratov; one above in Minsk, Kiev, and Kharkov; 2 above in Odessa and Rostov; 7 above in Yalta; and 10 degrees above zero in Sochi.

The minimum temperature in Moscow during the night of 12 February was zero; at noon, it was 2 degrees above zero.

On 14 February, cloudy weather accompanied by light snow is expected. Night temperature will be one to 3 degrees below zero; day temperature about zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 38, 14 Feb 50

On the morning of 14 February, the northern regions of European USSR and the Baltic area had moderate frosts and some snow.

Minimum temperature in Moscow on the night of 13 February was 2 degrees below zero, and at noon on 14 February, one degree above zero.

On 15 February, light precipitation, predominantly in the form of snow, is expected. Day and night temperature will be about zero.

SECRET

SECRET

9

Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 38, 14 Feb 50

On 14 February, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently, is expected in Moscow Oblast. Precipitation will be light. The northern wind will be light to moderate. The temperature will be about zero.

SECRET

77

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, No 51, 1 Mar 50

On 28 February, the weather continued cold in Karelo-Finnish SSR, Leningrad Oblast, and in the Baltic republics. During the day, the temperature was 16 degrees below zero in Petrosavodsk, 8 below in Leningrad, and 6 below in Riga. The cold is gradually penetrating Belorussia and the Ukraine. During the day, the temperature in Minsk and L'viv dropped to one degree above zero as compared with 3 and 7 degrees above on 27 February. In the north, northeast, and in the middle and lower Volga Region, day temperatures were about 3-8 degrees below zero.

The central and south Ukraine had warm spring weather. During the day, the temperature was 5 degrees above in Kiev and 7 above in Odessa, Dnepropetrovsk, and Kishinev. It was especially warm in the Crimea and along the Kuban'. During the day, the temperature was 16 degrees above in Simferopol' and 12 above in Krasnodar. There was no precipitation in these areas and the soil is rapidly warming up and drying out.

Snow fell in the Baltic countries and in the northern part of the central regions. Rain fell in Belorussia and in Moscow, Ryazan, Orel, Kursk, and Voronezh oblasts, speeding the disappearance of the snow cover.

There were light frosts in West Siberia. The temperature ranged from one to 6 degrees below zero between Tobol'sk and Irkutsk.

It was very warm in Central Asia. Rains fell locally. During the day, the temperature rose to 16-18 degrees above zero. Conditions for field work are favorable.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 51, 1 Mar 50

On the morning of one March, warm, cloudy weather continued in the southern half of European USSR and in most of the central oblasts. There was ^{precipitation} in the central oblasts and in eastern Belorussia. Rain fell in some parts of the Ukraine. The weather in the northern part of European USSR and the Baltic area continued cold.

The temperature at 0900 was: 20 above in Syktyvkar; 10 above in Novosibirsk, Arkhangel'sk, and Murmansk; 9 above in Leningrad; 6 above in Saratov; 5 above in Molotov and Riga; 4 above in Astrakhan; 2 above in Minsk, Sverdlovsk, and Gor'kiy; one below in Kiev; zero in Kalinin; one above in Voronezh; 2 above in Odessa; 4 above in Kharkov.

On the night of 28 February, minimum temperature in Moscow at noon was one degree above zero.

On 2 March, cloudy weather without precipitation is expected. Day and night temperature will be one to 3 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Moskovskaya Pravda, No 10, 2 Mar 50

On 2 March, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently, is expected. There will be morning fog and light precipitation in places. The northern wind will be light to moderate. The temperature will be about zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernnyaya Moskva, No 52, 2 Mar 50

The temperature in Moscow on the night of one March and at noon on 2 March was zero. On 3 March, the weather in Moscow is expected to remain cloudy, clearing intermittently and without precipitation. Night temperature will be 5-7 degrees below zero; day temperature 2-4 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, No 55, 5 Mar 50

On 4 March, the weather in European USSR continued cold. In *the* Crimea, day temperature was 4 degrees above zero, 2 above in Kishinev and Odessa, and zero in Kiev and Voroshilovgrad. In Khar'kov it ~~is~~ ^{was} snowing. In Kherson, Vinitsa, and Kamenets-Podol'sk, light rain fell. At night, there were frosts in many regions and the top layer of soil froze.

During the preceding warm days, the ground thawed completely in the Crimea, Moldavia, and in ^{the} southern Ukraine. In most of the other regions of the Ukraine, only the upper layer of ground thawed to 15-20 centimeters. In this connection and also as a result of the cool weather, growth of vegetation has been delayed.

Northern and central oblasts are experiencing light frosts. Day temperature ~~is~~ ^{was} 3-4 degrees below zero (Arkhangel'sk, Moscow, Voronezh). In the Urals, temperatures dropped to 15-20 degrees below zero.

In western Siberia, the cold weather is spreading and becoming more severe. In Barnaul, day temperature was 15 below, in Novosibirsk 18 below, and in Omsk, 28 degrees below zero.

The weather is warmer in Central Asia. Day temperature in Ashkhabad was 10 degrees above, in Tashkent and Stalinabad about 15 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernnyaya Moskva, No 55, 6 Mar 50

On the morning of 6 March most of European USSR had warmer weather. Snow fell in places. In the extreme eastern regions of European USSR, moderate frosts with strong winds continued. There were snow flurries and snowstorms in various areas.

On the night of 5 March the minimum temperature in Moscow was 2 degrees below zero; at noon on 6 March, one degree above zero.

On 7 March, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and without precipitation, is expected. Night temperature will be zero to 2 degrees below zero; day temperature zero to 2 degrees above zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernnyaya Moskva, No 56, 7 Mar 50

On the morning of 7 March, warm, cloudy weather was observed in Belorussia, the Ukraine, and in the southern part of the central oblasts. In the northern and eastern oblasts in European USSR, the weather was cold and cloudy. Snow fell in places.

The temperature at 0900 was: 11 below in Murmansk, Kirov, and Kazan; 9 below in Kuybyshev; 6 below in Saratov; 3 below in Voronezh; 2 below in Stalingrad; one below in Astrakhan and Gor'kiy; zero in Odessa and Rostov; one above in Leningrad and Kharkov; 2 above in Riga, Minsk, and Kiev; 3 above in Sochi; and 6 degrees above zero in Yalta.

Minimum temperature at night in Moscow was one degree below zero, and at noon on 7 March, zero.

On 8 March, cloudy weather, clearing intermittently and accompanied by brief snowfalls is expected in Moscow. Night and day temperature will be zero to 2 degrees below zero.

SECRET

Declassified in Part - Sanitized Copy Approved for Release 2012/04/05 : CIA-RDP82-00039R000100090029-1

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 57, 8 Mar 50

On the morning of 8 March, the weather in the northern, eastern, and central regions of the European USSR was cloudy. Snow fell in places. In the Baltic area, Belorussia, and in northern Ukraine, the weather was slightly cloudy and windy.

On the night of 7 March, minimum temperature in Moscow was 5 below and on 8 March at noon, 4 degrees below zero.

On 9 March, light snowfall is expected in Moscow. Night temperature will be 7-9 below; day temperature 3-5 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 58, 9 Mar 50

The minimum temperature in Moscow the night of 8 March was 9 degrees below zero, and at noon on 9 March, 8 degrees below zero.

On 10 March, the weather in Moscow is expected to be cloudy, clearing intermittently and accompanied by light snowfall. Night temperature will be 9-11 degrees below zero; day temperature 5-7 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Sotsialisticheskoye Zamledeliye, No 61, 12 Mar 50

On 11 March, slight frosts prevailed throughout European USSR, except in the northern and eastern areas. In the north and east, frosts were severe. During the day, temperatures were 14 below in Arkhangel'sk, 15 below in Ust'-Tsil'ma, 16 below in Ufa, and 18 below in Chkalov. During the night, the temperature dropped to 25-27 degrees below zero in the north. In the central and western regions, the weather became slightly warmer.

In the Ukraine, Moldavia, and Rostov Oblast, day temperatures ranged about zero. During the night, temperatures dropped to 5-7 degrees below zero in the Ukraine and in the northern Caucasus.

Warm weather prevailed in Central Asia.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 61, 12 Mar 50

During the night of 11 March, minimum temperature in Moscow was 7 degrees below, and at noon on 12 March, 2 degrees below zero.

On 13 March in Moscow, snow is expected. Night and day temperature will be 1-3 degrees below zero.

SECRET

SECRET

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 62, 13 Mar 50

On the morning of 13 March, most of European USSR was predominantly cloudy with light to moderate frosts.

Minimum temperature the night of 12 March was 3 degrees below and at noon on March, one degree below zero.

On 14 March, snow flurries are expected. Night temperature will be 4-6 degrees below; day temperature one to 3 degrees below zero.

SECRET

98

all

Moskovskaya Pravda, No 20, 13 Mar 50

in Moscow, Russia

On 13 March, the weather will be cloudy. In places, there will be snow flurries and snowstorms. The south wind will be moderate to strong. The temperature will be around zero.

SECRET